



Stonefly Maidens
Ladies Fly Fishing
Club Newsletter
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AN OREGON COUNCIL-FEDERATION OF FLY FISHERS MEMBER CLUB

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MEETING INFO:

Next meeting: TUESDAY April 8, 2003

Who Song and Larry's, 4850 SW Macadam Ave, Portland, OR 97201, (503) 223-8845.

6 PM, dinner and social hour

7 PM, program

Speaker Scott Richmond. Scott is a local fly fishing author who

This month's fish-a-long:

Friday-Monday, March 21-24, 2003

Owyhee River, Ontario, Oregon. This is sizing up to be a great trip. Trip host, Carmen Smith, has arranged for us to stay at the Dam Keeper's Cabin Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. The cabin is \$35 a night, split between all who are staying. The plan is to leave Thursday evening and going as far as Pendleton, then continuing on to Ontario. There we will meet with Bernie Babcock, an Owyhee River veteran, who will talk to us about the river and the flies that will catch fish. We will fish some Friday afternoon, all day Saturday and Sunday, and return home on Monday. Remember that from Portland, Ontario is at least a 6-hour drive. Be sure to come to the meeting to get all the information for the trip. Carmen will have lists of what to bring including the hot flies. This is a women only trip.

We have hats, denim shirts and T-shirts with our Stonefly logo on them for sale at the meeting. Hats are \$15.00; denim shirts are \$25.00; T-shirts are \$18.00. What better way to advertise the club?

Fly Lines

Ron Lauzon presented a good program at our last meeting and followed it up the next Saturday afternoon at Eagle Fern Park outside of Estacada. Everyone who attended was able to test out the techniques that Ron talked about. He showed how the techniques worked and provided

casting assistance for those who wanted it. We didn't catch any fish but we did see a steelhead roll. I think everyone who attended learned a lot about steelhead fishing on small streams.

Dues are now due. The \$25.00 goes towards paying for speakers and sometimes guides for our fish-a-longs. Please pay your dues as soon as possible. Anyone not paid by this month will no longer receive the newsletter. So pay up and keep in touch. Membership forms will be available at the next meeting. We will be putting together a club roster for distribution to club members only for the purposes of aiding members in finding fishing partners. If you do not want your name included on the list, please let us know on the membership form.

I am really looking forward to this month's speaker and fish-a-long. We have a great opportunity to learn about and fish a river that is a little farther away than normal. This is an excellent fishery that seems to be used mostly by people from Idaho. I have fished the Owyhee in November with ice on the water. I caught a few, but found out how cold it can be when you have leaks in your waders. I have heard tales of trophy size browns and rainbows. Sounds like a great time to find some really hungry fish. The Owyhee River region is full of Oregon history. The Oregon Trail crossed the Snake River at Three Island Crossing outside of Ontario. The Shoshone Indians once claimed Southeastern Oregon as part of their territory. You might even see some petroglyphs along the river. Check out this month's article about the Cultural History of the Owyhee River Canyon.

This month's meeting is an important one to attend and pay your dues at. We will be electing a new Vice President and Program Coordinator to replace Terry Sanchez. We are looking for someone who is willing help guide the club into the future. We have some big decisions to make about the direction of the club. It is the goal of the board to write by-laws with lots of input from the membership and have them adopted by the end of the year (sooner if possible). I am hoping that the Vice President will agree to become President next year. The Vice President will be responsible for coordinating the fish-a-longs. While she does not have to attend all of them, she needs to make sure that someone will host the trip. The meeting programs have been pretty much set for this year, but the Vice President should expect to make contact with speakers beforehand to confirm that they will be coming and answer any questions the speaker may have. The officer responsibilities are not firm divisions, but rather all us share the responsibilities so hopefully nothing falls through the cracks.

By now, many of you have heard that Terry Sanchez is starting a new women's fly fishing club in Portland. I wish her good luck in her endeavors. I am supportive of any efforts to get more women involved in this great sport of fly fishing.

See you on the water and at the meeting,
Tilda

Tentative Program and Fish-a-long Schedule

Month	Program	Fish-a-long
March	Mike Duley, Owyhee River	Owyhee River, March 21-25
April	Scott Richmond, Fly Fishing the Fringes	Carp Fishing, April 12
May	Marty Sheppard, John Day River	Deschutes River, May 17
June	John Smeraglio, Salmon Fly Hatch	High Cascade Lakes, June 14
July	Sturgeon Fishing	Columbia River, July 12
August	No Meeting	John Day River, August 16
September	TBA	Deschutes River, September 13
October	Donna Teeney, Saltwater Fishing	Sea-run Cutthroats, October 18
November	TBA	Chum Salmon, TBA
December	Christmas Party	None scheduled

All speakers and fish-a-longs are subject to change without notice.

Goings on: Fly Shops and Events

The Fly Fishing Shop at Welches 503.622.4607 www.flyfishusa.com

Call or visit the web site for more info on sales and upcoming events.

Sunday, March 9, 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Fly Tying Program: Classic & Cutting Edge Dry Flies (Including March Browns) Mark Meriwether – Deschutes River Trout Fisherman

Sunday, March 16, 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Fly Tying Program: Simple Soft Hackle Wet Flies John Jones – Local Trout Fisherman

Sunday, March 23, 1:00pm to 5:00pm

Fly Tying Program: Deschutes Nymphs Brian Silvey – Deschutes River Trout Guide

Deschutes Canyon Fly Shop – Maupin 541.395.2565

Call or visit the web site for more info. Give the shop a call to find out about their specials and classes.

River City Fly Shop – 11429 SW Scholls Ferry Rd, Beaverton 503.579.5176

Fly tying every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30pm. \$50 for 4 sessions; you can join at any time.

Northwest Flyfishing Outfitters – 10910 NE Halsey St., Portland 503.252.1529 or 888.292.1137 www.flyshopnw.com

Call or visit their web site for more information.

Saturday, May 3, 9:00am to 5:00pm

Northwest Flyfishing Outfitters is throwing a PARTY!!!. Why? It's our birthday. It was ten years ago on May 1, 1993 that we first opened our doors. So on Saturday May 3, we would like to thank all of you, our valued friends. We will have tying demonstrations, casting clinics, and book signing by some well known authors. There will be door prizes, special raffles, and one day only sale prices. We'll BBQ hot dogs for lunch, have balloons and lolly pops for the kids, and of course coffee and soda pop.

BOW

Stay tuned for workshop information. New registration materials will be available soon.

Sporting Clays Workshop April 12, 2003 at Mitchell's Clay Target Sports Center, Gervais, OR

Fly Fishing April 26-27, Metolius River, Wizard Falls Hatchery, Camp Sherman, OR

Kayaking and Hiking May 3-4, Cove Palisades State Park, Culver, OR

La Pine State Park Workshop June 7 - 8, 2003

BOW weekend 2003 will be June 13 - 15 at Camp Magruder in Rockaway Beach.

If you would like to put your name on the mailing list to receive registration materials, please contact [Nancy Smogor](mailto:Nancy.Smogor@dfw.state.or.us), Becoming an Outdoors-Woman Program Coordinator, at (503) 872-5264 x 5358 or check out their website at www.dfw.state.or.us/outdoor_skills/bow.html.

